

# MANAGING WATER FOR GREEN GROWTH

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### Managing water for green growth

Allocate water where it creates most value Infrastructures that adapt to shifting conditions

Deploying innovation

A robust set of data

# Allocate water where it creates most value

#### Markets

- Difficulties in creating water market; transaction costs might be high
- Careful design
- Non-market values

#### Pricing

- Valuation techniques
- Uncertain responses
- Low level of social acceptance

#### Administration

- How to reflect scarcity?
- Transaction costs



#### ...that contribute to water security

- Too much, too little water
- Too polluted water; lack of resilience of ecosystems

#### ...that adjust to shifting conditions

- Trends in water demand and water availablity
- Shifting policy priorities
- Appropriate design and financing

#### Potential benefits of green infrastructures

- Avoid path dependency
- Coherence with land use and nature conservation

# Which innovation?

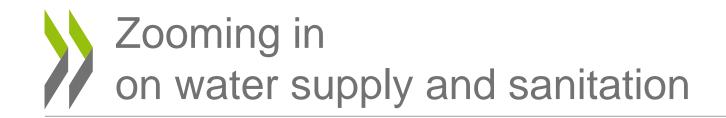
- Technical
- Non technical

# At what scale?

- Solutions to local problems
- Accessing global markets

# Bottlenecks to the diffusion

- Institutional barriers
- Misaligned incentives
- A role for new comers



### A driver for green growth

- Health and environment
- Water resources management
- Attract private investment

### Barriers to be overcome

- Maladapted business models
- Technological path dependency
- Institutional and regulatory frameworks



### A robust set of data

- On hydrology
- On distributional issues



### Opportunities for further work in EECCA

- Managing water for Green Growth
  - River basin management plans that contribute to growth
  - The reform of water allocation regimes
  - The transboundary dimension
- Policy coherence (the nexus)
  - Improving the use of economic instruments for water management (including reforming harmful subsidies)
- Water infrastructure for growth
  - Climate resilient water infrastructures and services
  - Sustainable business models for WSS
  - Strategic financial planning
  - Affordability and distributional issues



### Selected barriers to be overcome

- The reform of water allocation regimes
- Technical path dependency
- Financing instruments
- Institutional barriers
- Imperfect information and data
- Risk sharing arrangements